

School Sponsored, Student Activities & Opportunities

- Accelerated Reader Program
- Arbor Day Program
- Art Club
- Artist in Education Program
- Butterfly Garden
- Career Awareness Day
- Character Education Program
- Chorus
- Early Morning PE Program
- Early Morning Computer Lab
- Family Reading Night
- Blue Ridge Jr. Golf Program
- Jump Into Kindergarten
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Keowee News Program
- Picture Person Program
- PBIS
- Recycling Program
- Rotary Student of the Quarter
- Science Fair
- Science Family Night
- Strings
- Student Service Club
- Swimming & Water Safety
- Talent Showcase
- Kiwanis Club of Walhalla Terrific Kids
- Tiger Relay
- Wee -Deliver Postal Service System

Community Outreach

- Adopt a Highway
- American Cancer Society Relay for Life
- Keep Oconee Beautiful Association
- March of Dimes

Recognitions

- Red Carpet Award Winner
- 2006 Palmetto Silver Award Winner
- Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Yes
- National Board Certified Teachers. . . Lee Ahern, Lynn Black, Richard Cain, Tammy Garland, Nancy Horton, Debbie Osborne, Rachel Smith

Our History

Keowee Elementary School dates back to the early 1900's when the school served area students in first grade through eleventh grade. Since 1984, the school has served students in Kindergarten through fifth grade and self-contained special education classes.

Our School Today

- Currently, 290 students are enrolled.
- The average daily student attendance for the 2005-2006 school year was 97%.
- State of South Carolina School Report Card
2006 Absolute Rating. Good
2006 Improvement Rating. . . Average
- School Board Representative
Mr. Jerry Lee
- PTO Officers
Cindy Sauer—President
Kim Stroud—President Elect
Renee Runz—Secretary
Renee Rackley—Treasurer
- School Improvement Council Members
Angie Long—Chair
Rhonda Childs
Maribeth Kowalski
Louis McMahan
Renee Runz
Kristen Stancil

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KEOWEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Charting Success for Every Child

School Summary Report 2006-2007

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Mission Statement

Our mission at Keowee Elementary School, in cooperation with home and community is to challenge and enable every child to learn and grow academically, socially, and emotionally, within a safe and nurturing environment.

Our Beliefs

- Our school community shares the responsibility for advancing the school's mission.
- Optimizing student learning is a priority for the school.
- Each student is a valued individual with unique physical, social, emotional, and intellectual needs.
- Curriculum, instruction, and assessment involve a variety of learning experiences to accommodate individual differences.
- Students learn best when they are authentically engaged in the learning process.
- Students' self-esteems are enhanced by positive relationships and mutual respect among and between members of the school community.
- A safe, nurturing environment promotes student learning and confidence.

Review of 2005-2006 School Renewal Plan Goals

Curriculum

- Diary maps for writing were created monthly at all grade levels.
- Test data was analyzed to identify strengths and to target weaknesses of the curriculum and to set improvement goals.
- The Computer Lab offered skill practice in English Language Arts and Math as well as assessment with NWEA's Measures of Academic Progress (MAP).
- Materials and training for 100 Book Challenge were provided for all second grade teachers and summer school teachers.
- Training was provided to a school team for the Revised Bloom's Taxonomy.

School Environment

- Emergency procedures were expanded and updated. Safety drills continued to be a priority.
- The blacktop was resurfaced.
- Technology in the classroom was expanded through the purchase of projectors, large screens, and CPS response systems.
- Faculty members received training on Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) which was implemented school-wide.

Home-School Connection

- The Keowee Volunteer Program continued to actively involve parents and community members.
- Community representatives/stakeholders participated in creating the report for Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) accreditation recertification and served on the interview team.
- School and classroom websites and Parent Connect continued to expand.
- A slide show featuring positive behaviors at Keowee Elementary was created and presented.

School Renewal Plan Goals for 2006-2007

Curriculum

- Individual conferences will be held with the principal to set goals for staff and students.
- An Early Intervention Teacher will be added to the Keowee staff.
- Training for 100 Book Challenge and book sets will be provided for additional grade levels.
- Diary maps will be created for all grades using Rubicon Atlas.
- The faculty will continue to receive training in technology.
- A multi-leveled text room will be established.
- Balanced literacy training will be provided for teachers.

School Environment

- Emergency procedures will continue to be updated and practiced with guidance from local law enforcement.
- The buildings will be repainted.
- SMARTBoards and Airliners will be purchased to expand technological capabilities.
- Teachers will participate in training for integrating technology.

Home-School Connection

- The Volunteer Program will continue to seek active involvement from parents and community members.
- Computerized resources available through Northwest Evaluation Association and Test-View will be used to expand communication on student performance with parents.
- School and classroom websites will continue to be improved.